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SUPPOSE YOU WERE ME, AND A MAN HAD BROKEN YOUR HEART!! WOULD YOU HAVE DONE WHAT I DID??
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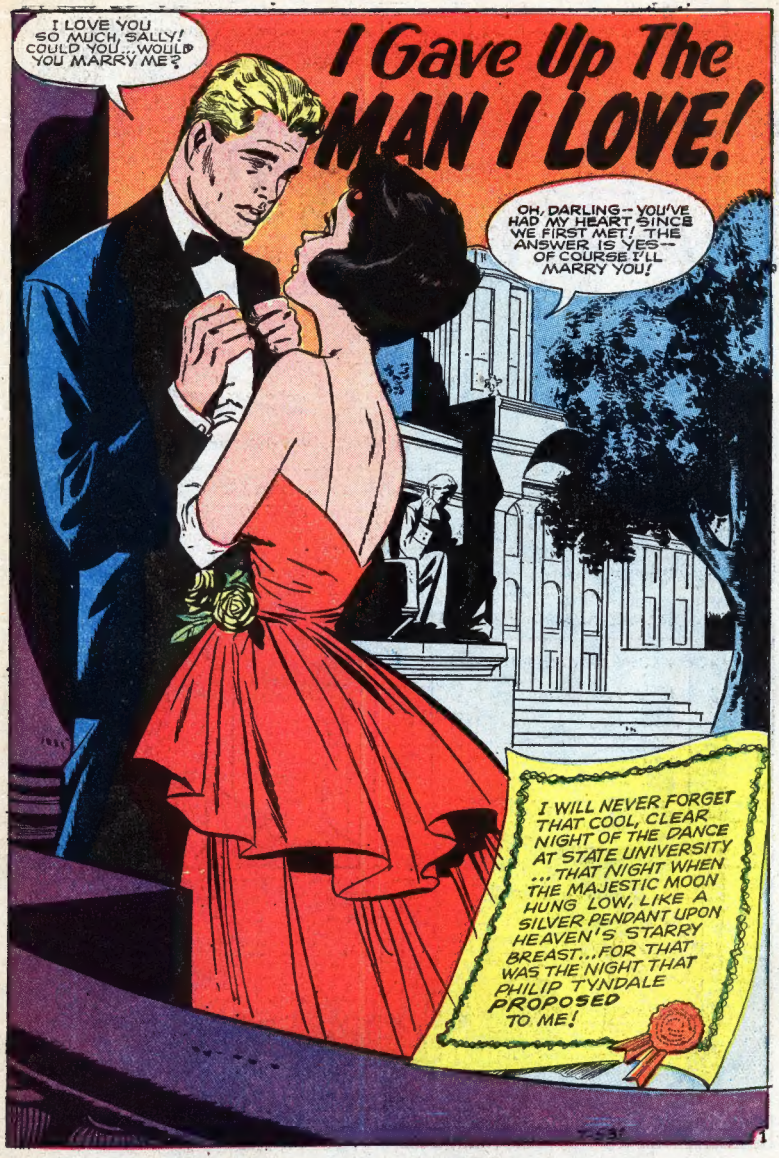
I LOVE YOU SO MUCH, SALLY! COULD YOU...WOULD YOU MARRY ME?
I Gave Up The MAN I LOVE!
OH, DARLING -- YOU'VE HAD MY HEART SINCE WE FIRST MET! THE ANSWER IS YES -- OF COURSE I'LL MARRY YOU!
I WILL NEVER FORGET THAT COOL, CLEAR NIGHT OF THE DANCE AT STATE UNIVERSITY ... THAT NIGHT WHEN THE MAJESTIC MOON HUNG LOW, LIKE A SILVER PENDANT UPON HEAVEN'S STARRY BREAST...FOR THAT WAS THE NIGHT THAT PHILIP TYNDALE PROPOSED TO ME!

THEN FILLED WITH THE WONDER OF LOVE, I LISTENED TO MY MAN SPEAK ABOUT THE FUTURE... ABOUT OUR FUTURE...
AND AT THE END OF THIS TERM WHEN WE GRADUATE, I'M GOING ON TO LAW SCHOOL/... MIND BEING MARRIED TO A LAWYER, DARLING?
IT'S A FIRST RATE PROFESSION, AND I'LL BE PROUD OF YOU!
GOOD! BECAUSE AFTER YOU, LAW IS WHAT I LOVE MOST!
THE FOLLOWING WEEKEND, PHIL TOOK ME HOME WITH HIM TO MEET HIS PARENTS... AND TELL THEM WE WERE GOING TO BE MARRIED...
DARLING, I WAS JUST THINKING... SUPPOSE YOUR MOTHER AND FATHER DON'T APPROVE OF ME! I MEAN...MAYBE THEY WON'T LIKE ME!
DON'T BE SILLY, HONEY! I'LL ADMIT MY FOLKS CAN BE A BIT SNOOTY AT TIMES... WHAT WITH THE TYNDALE FAMILY BEING BLUE-BLOODED AND HAVING SCADS OF DOUGH!
BUT WHEN THEY SEE THE CHARMING AND GORGEOUS GAL THEIR OFFSPRING HAS CAUGHT THEY'LL BE AS HAPPY AS I AM!
ALTHO I WAS STILL FEARFUL AFTER PHIL'S WORDS, I SAID NO MORE ABOUT IT. FINALLY WE REACHED THE TYNDALE ESTATE...
WOW! YOU SURE WEREN'T KIDDING WHEN YOU SAID YOUR FAMILY IS RICH!
SWEETHEART, WE'RE NOT HALF AS RICH AS WE'LL BE, WHEN WE HAVE YOU!
SOON I WAS FACE TO FACE WITH THE FORMIDABLE TYNDALES THEMSELVES! PHIL'S MOTHER AND FATHER WERE POLITE THO' NOT WARM... AND IN THE BACKGROUND SAT PHIL'S GRANDFATHER, AN UNFRIENDLY-LOOKING CODGER WITH SHREWD, PIERCING EYES...
WE'RE PLEASED TO MEET YOU, MY DEAR!
PHILIP HAS SPOKEN HIGHLY OF YOU IN HIS LETTERS!
AND THEN AFTER SEVERAL MINUTES OF SMALL-TALK, PHIL GOT AROUND TO TELLING THEM...
I BROUGHT SALLY HERE THIS WEEK-END BECAUSE...WE'RE GOING TO BE MARRIED!
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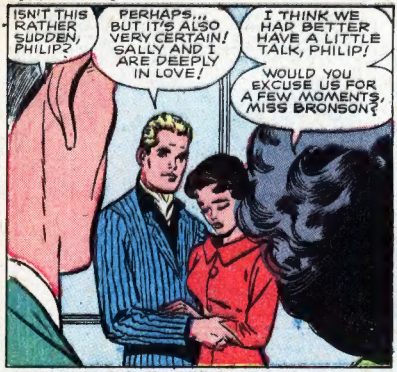

ISN'T THIS RATHER SUDDEN, PHILIP?
PERHAPS... BUT IT'S ALSO VERY CERTAIN! SALLY AND I ARE DEEPLY IN LOVE!
I THINK WE HAD BETTER HAVE A LITTLE TALK, PHILIP!
WOULD YOU EXCUSE US FOR A FEW MOMENTS, MISS BRONSON?

NO! ANYTHING WE HAVE TO SAY, WE CAN SAY IN FRONT OF SALLY! I TOLD YOU WE LOVE EACH OTHER AND ARE GOING TO MARRY!
VERY WELL, PHILIP, SINCE YOU CHOOSE NOT TO SPARE MISS BRONSON THIS EMBARRASSMENT, WE'LL GET RIGHT TO THE POINT!
YOU ARE NOT GOING TO MARRY MISS BRONSON...
BECAUSE YOU ARE GOING TO MARRY ISABEL SEDGEWICK!

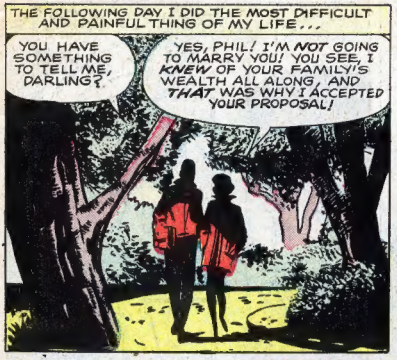
WHAT IN BLAZES ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT! ISABEL SEDGEWICK IS A DULL CLOD WHOM I WOULDN'T DREAM OF MARRYING! JUST BECAUSE WE GREW UP TOGETHER...
ISABEL IS A CULTURED YOUNG LADY WHO HAPPENS TO COME FROM ONE OF THE FINEST FAMILIES IN THE COUNTRY!

I'M SORRY TO DO THIS, MY DEAR, BUT MY SON'S OBSTINACY LEAVES ME NO CHOICE! WOULD YOU PLEASE TELL ME WHAT BUSINESS YOUR FATHER IS IN?
MY FATHER IS A DRUGGIST...

ISABEL'S FATHER OWNS THE SEDGEWICK STEEL COMPANY!

I DON'T CARE IF HE OWNS THE U.S. MINT! I DON'T LOVE ISABEL! I LOVE SALLY!
BUT LOVE IS NOT THE ONLY CONSIDERATION, PHILIP! YOU MUST THINK OF YOUR FAMILY WHICH COMES FIRST!
AFTER YOU AND ISABEL ARE WED, THERE WILL BE A MERGER OF THE SEDGEWICK STEEL COMPANY AND TYNDALE PRODUCTS, INC.!

HAVE YOU BOTH FORGOTTEN THIS IS THE TWENTIETH CENTURY... AND THAT TODAY PEOPLE MARRY FOR LOVE, NOT FOR THE BENEFIT OF INDUSTRY!
WE HAVE FORGOTTEN NOTHING! BUT YOU ARE NOT JUST "PEOPLE", PHILIP! YOU ARE A TYNDALE, AND HEIR TO THE TYNDALE FORTUNE! WE CANNOT ALLOW YOU TO MARRY BENEATH YOUR STATION!
LOOK... I'M NOT GOING ON WITH THIS GROTESQUE VICTORIAN SCENE! SALLY IS THE GIRL I'M GOING TO MARRY, AND THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN STOP ME!
ISN'T THERE, PHILIP?
AFTER YOU GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE THIS TERM, YOU INTEND GOING TO LAW SCHOOL... BUT SUPPOSE WE DON'T GIVE YOU THE MONEY FOR YOUR TUITION! IN THAT EVENT, YOUR LAW CAREER WOULD BE ENDED BEFORE IT BEGAN!
YOU WOULDN'T... YOU WOULDN'T USE THAT TO PREVENT SALLY AND ME...
WOULDN'T WE? HEAR ME WELL, PHILIP! IF YOU MARRY THIS GIRL YOU WILL NEVER RECEIVE A CENT OF TYNDALE MONEY... EITHER FOR LAW SCHOOL OR ANY OTHER PURPOSE!
I'VE HEARD ENOUGH! C'MON, SALLY, WE'RE GOING BACK TO THE UNIVERSITY! I'LL TRY TO APOLOGIZE FOR THIS ALONG THE WAY!
OH, WHY -- WHY DID THINGS HAVE TO TURN OUT THIS WAY? I'M SO IN LOVE WITH PHIL, AND JUST BECAUSE I DO LOVE HIM, I CAN'T LET HIM MARRY ME NOW! I CAN'T LET HIM LOSE HIS OPPORTUNITY FOR A CAREER IN LAW BECAUSE OF ME...!
HE'D NEVER LEAVE ME OF HIS OWN ACCORD... I'LL HAVE TO BE THE ONE TO SOMEHOW BREAK US UP... SO HE CAN... (SOB!) ...MARRY THAT SEDGEWICK GIRL... AND GO TO LAW SCHOOL...

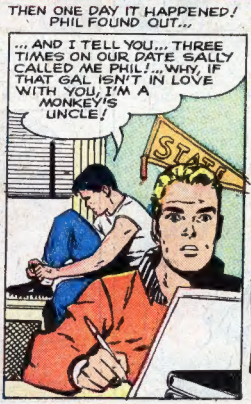

THE FOLLOWING DAY I DID THE MOST DIFFICULT AND PAINFUL THING OF MY LIFE...
YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL ME, DARLING?
YES, PHIL! I'M NOT GOING TO MARRY YOU! YOU SEE, I KNEW OF YOUR FAMILY'S WEALTH ALL ALONG, AND THAT WAS WHY I ACCEPTED YOUR PROPOSAL!

B-BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND... I THOUGHT YOU LOVED ME...
LOVE YOU? NO, PHIL, I'M SORRY BUT I FIND YOU AN UTTER BORE! AS LONG AS YOU WERE TO COME INTO A LOT OF MONEY, I WAS PREPARED TO SUFFER THE TEDIUM OF BEING YOUR WIFE... BUT TO HAVE YOU WITHOUT MONEY... THAT WOULD BE INTOLERABLE!
SO GOOD-BY, PHIL... I HOPE WE BOTH HAVE BETTER LUCK NEXT TIME!

FORGIVE ME, PHIL... FORGIVE ME FOR DESTROYING THE LIFE THAT WAS TO BE OURS TOGETHER! BUT I HAD TO DO IT, MY DARLING... I COULDN'T LET YOU SACRIFICE YOUR CAREER!
SALLY...

AFTER THAT, I CONTINUED THE PRETENSE BY DATING OTHER FELLOWS... BUT ON EVERY DATE I WAS ACCOMPANIED BY MY LONGING AND MY HEARTACHE...
HAVING FUN, SALLY?
YES, THANK YOU!
OH, PHIL... HOW I WISH YOU WERE DANCING WITH ME... YOU HOLDING ME IN YOUR ARMS...

AND WHEN ANY FELLOW TRIED TO KISS ME, EVERY FIBER OF MY BODY RESISTED...
AW, C'MON, SALLY... JUST ONE KISS! WHAT'S THE MATTER? HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN THE CRUSH WE ONCE HAD ON EACH OTHER?
I REMEMBER, TOM... BUT NOT NOW... PLEASE!


THEN ONE DAY IT HAPPENED! PHIL FOUND OUT...
... AND I TELL YOU... THREE TIMES ON OUR DATE SALLY CALLED ME PHIL! ... WHY, IF THAT GAL ISN'T IN LOVE WITH YOU, I'M A MONKEY'S UNCLE!
STAT

A COUPLE OF NIGHTS LATER, THERE WAS A KNOCK AT MY DOOR...
KNOCK KNOCK
COME IN...

WHY... YOU'RE PHIL'S GRANDFATHER! WHAT IS IT? WHY HAVE YOU COME TO SEE ME?
I'LL BE BRIEF, MISS BRONSON! MY GRANDSON WROTE AND TOLD ME WHAT'S HAPPENED! HE KNOWS NOW THAT YOU GAVE HIM UP SO HE WOULDN'T HAVE TO SACRIFICE HIS CAREER!
WELL, I'VE JUST COME TO TELL YOU THAT IF HE LETS YOU GO THRU WITH THIS, THEN YOU'RE TOO DANG GOOD FOR HIM!
KNOCK
KNOCK!
PHIL!
SALLY! I HAD TO COME TO SEE YOU! I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING AND WHY YOU'RE DOING IT, BUT BABY, IT'S NO USE! I LOVE YOU AND WANT YOU AND I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE YOU UP!
WE DON'T NEED MY FAMILY'S MONEY, SALLY! I'M GOING TO TRY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AND IF I DON'T WIN IT I'LL WORK MY WAY THRU LAW SCHOOL! AS LONG AS YOU'RE WITH ME I'LL MANAGE SOMEHOW!
THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO HEAR! THE TYNDALE SPIRIT AND FORTITUDE... COME TO LIFE AGAIN!
GRANDFATHER! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
I CAME TO PAY MY RESPECTS TO A WONDERFUL GIRL! A GIRL THAT I'LL BE PROUD TO HAVE IN THE FAMILY!
AND PHIL, YOU WON'T HAVE TO WORK YOUR WAY THRU LAW SCHOOL! I STILL RULE THE TYNDALE CLAN AND WHEN I GET THRU TALKING TO YOUR PARENTS, THEY'LL SING A DIFFERENT TUNE! YOU'LL GET ALL THE MONEY YOU NEED!
AND WHEN HIS GRANDFATHER LEFT, PHIL TOOK ME IN HIS ARMS... FOR A MOMENT, HE JUST HELD ME... AND THEN, IN THE WARMTH OF OUR KISS WE FELT THE GOLDEN PROMISE OF THE JOYOUS DAYS WHICH LAY AHEAD...
The End

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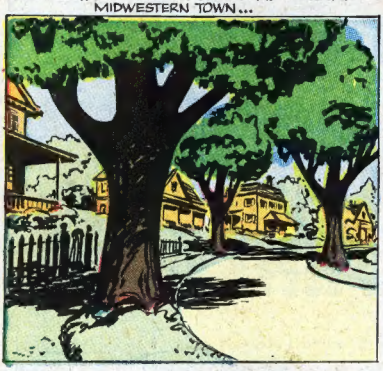
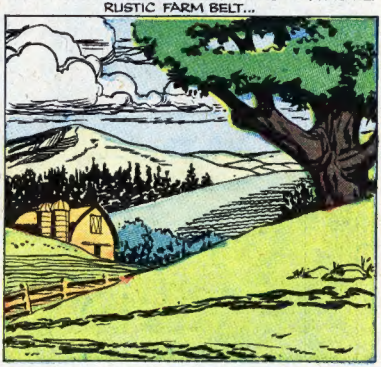
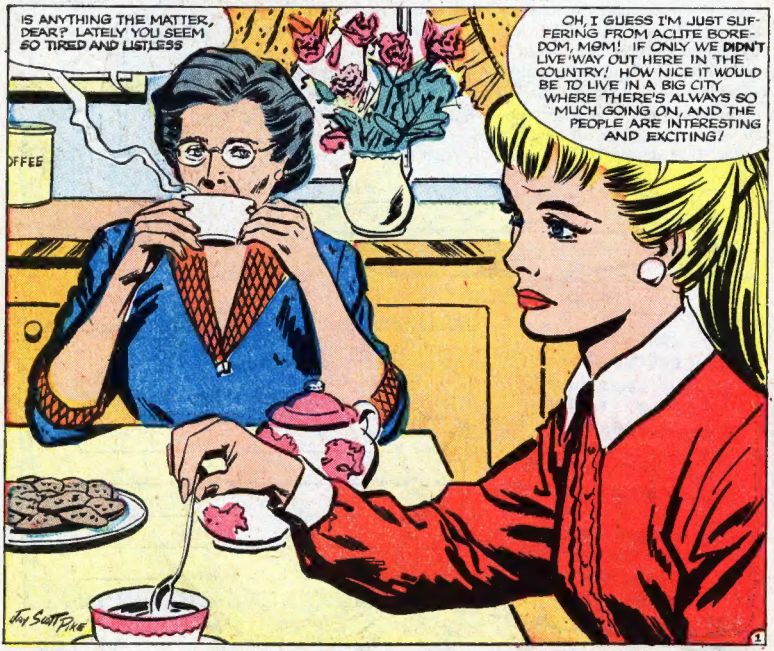
PINEFIELD WAS A TYPICALLY SMALL AND PEACEFUL MIDWESTERN TOWN...

WHICH WAS LOCATED IN THE MIDST OF A TYPICALLY RUSTIC FARM BELT...





AND ON ONE OF THOSE FARMS WAS WHERE I HAD LIVED FOR NINETEEN TYPICALLY SIMPLE, UNEVENTFUL YEARS! I WAS NANCY JONES, AND MY LONGING HEART REBELLED AGAINST AN EXISTENCE WHICH SEEMED EVERY BIT AS DULL AND DRAB AS THE NAME I HAD ...


IS ANYTHING THE MATTER, DEAR? LATELY YOU SEEM SO TIRED AND LISTLESS
OH, I GUESS I'M JUST SUFFERING FROM ACUTE BOREDOM, MOM! IF ONLY WE DIDN'T LIVE WAY OUT HERE IN THE COUNTRY! HOW NICE IT WOULD BE TO LIVE IN A BIG CITY WHERE THERE'S ALWAYS SO MUCH GOING ON, AND THE PEOPLE ARE INTERESTING AND EXCITING!
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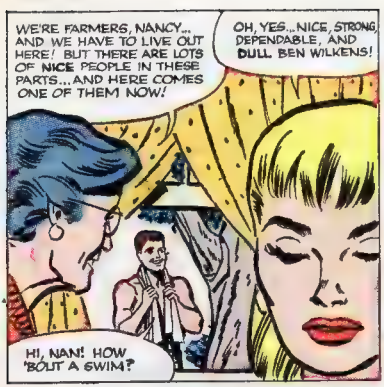
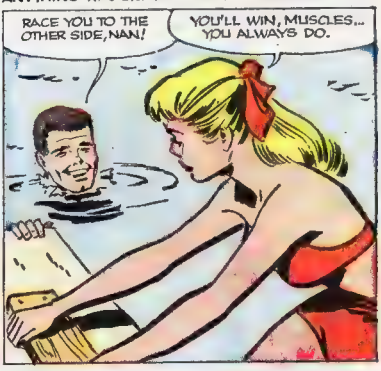
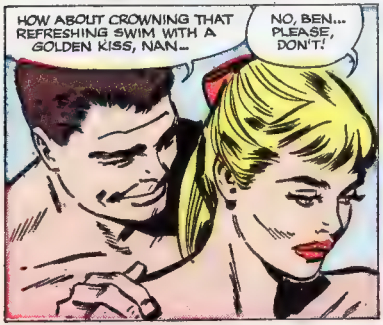
JAY SCOTT PIKE


WE'RE FARMERS, NANCY... AND WE HAVE TO LIVE OUT HERE! BUT THERE ARE LOTS OF NICE PEOPLE IN THESE PARTS... AND HERE COMES ONE OF THEM NOW!
OH, YES...NICE, STRONG, DEPENDABLE, AND DULL BEN WILKENS!
HI, NAN! HOW 'BOUT A SWIM?

ANYTHING WAS BETTER THAN NOTHING, AND SO...

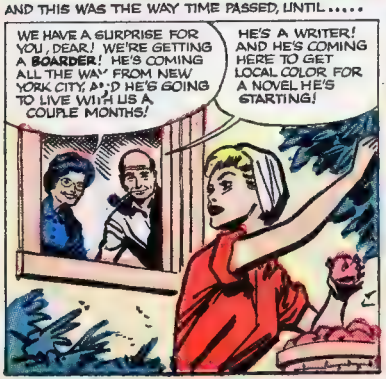


BEN WILKENS WAS IN LOVE WITH ME, BUT HE WASN'T THE KIND OF MAN MY HUNGRY HEART WAS DREAMING OF! AND SO I ALWAYS REFUSED HIS EXPRESSIONS OF AFFECTION...

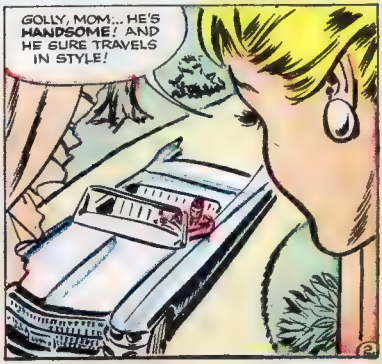


I LIKE YOU, BEN, BUT IT'S...WELL, IT'S JUST THIS WHOLE PLACE AND THE PEOPLE HERE! EVERYTHING'S SO DOWNRIGHT BORING! I LONG FOR THE KIND OF WORLDLY AND EXCITING LIFE THAT A BIG CITY OFFERS!
I RECKON I'M TOO MUCH A PART OF THIS PLACE TO APPEAL TO YOU THEN! BUT I'M NOT GIVING UP, NAN! I LOVE YOU AND ONE DAY YOU'LL REALIZE THAT'S AS VALUABLE AS ANYTHING YOU CAN FIND IN THE BIGGEST OF CITIES!

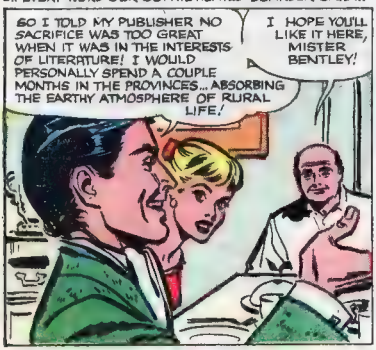
AND THIS WAS THE WAY TIME PASSED, UNTIL.....


WE HAVE A SURPRISE FOR YOU, DEAR! WE'RE GETTING A BOARDER! HE'S COMING ALL THE WAY FROM NEW YORK CITY, AND HE'S GOING TO LIVE WITH US A COUPLE MONTHS!
HE'S A WRITER! AND HE'S COMING HERE TO GET LOCAL COLOR FOR A NOVEL HE'S STARTING!

AND ONE WEEK LATER CRAIG BENTLEY ARRIVED...



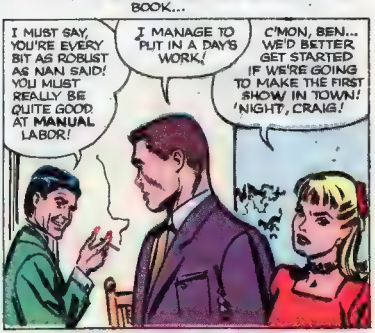
THAT EVENING AT DINNER, I FOUND MYSELF HANGING ON EVERY WORD OUR SOPHISTICATED BOARDER SAID...


SO I TOLD MY PUBLISHER NO SACRIFICE WAS TOO GREAT WHEN IT WAS IN THE INTERESTS OF LITERATURE! I WOULD PERSONALLY SPEND A COUPLE MONTHS IN THE PROVINCES...ABSORBING THE EARTHY ATMOSPHERE OF RURAL LIFE!
I HOPE YOU'LL LIKE IT HERE, MISTER BENTLEY!

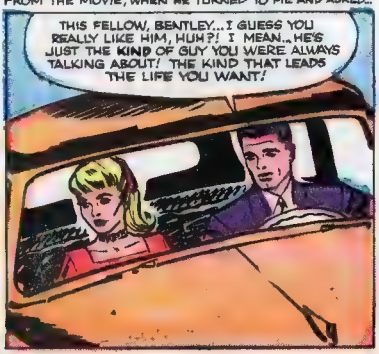
AFTER DINNER, I WENT OUT ON THE PORCH WITH CRAIG. HE LOOKED EVEN MORE HANDSOME AS HE SAT THERE, IN THE MOONLIGHT, TELLING ME ABOUT HIS WAY OF LIFE...

AND IN BETWEEN BOOKS, IT'S A CONSTANT WHIRL OF PARTIES AND THEATRE-GOING...WITH FRIENDS WHO ARE THE MOST STIMULATING AND CREATIVE PEOPLE OF TODAY!
GOLLY...IT ALL SOUNDS SO WONDERFUL! TELL ME SOME MORE... PLEASE!

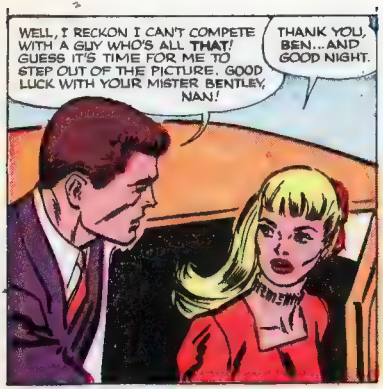
FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS, I WAS ABSORBED IN NO ONE BUT CRAIG BENTLEY! BUT ON THE EVENING THAT HE WAS GOING TO BE BUSY STARTING HIS BOOK...


I MUST SAY, YOU'RE EVERY BIT AS ROBUST AS NAN SAID! YOU MUST REALLY BE QUITE GOOD AT MANUAL LABOR!
I MANAGE TO PUT IN A DAY'S WORK!
C'MON, BEN... WE'D BETTER GET STARTED IF WE'RE GOING TO MAKE THE FIRST SHOW IN TOWN! 'NIGHT, CRAIG!

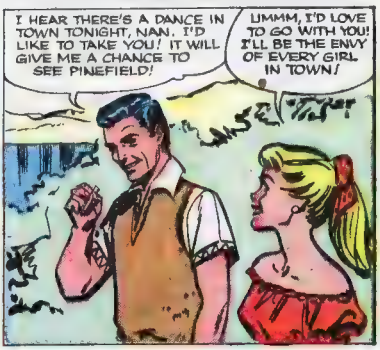
BEN AND I DIDN'T TALK MUCH UNTIL COMING BACK FROM THE MOVIE, WHEN HE TURNED TO ME AND ASKED..


THIS FELLOW, BENTLEY... I GUESS YOU REALLY LIKE HIM, HUM?! I MEAN...HE'S JUST THE KIND OF GUY YOU WERE ALWAYS TALKING ABOUT! THE KIND THAT LEADS THE LIFE YOU WANT!

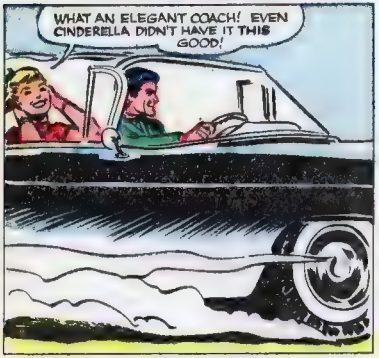
YES, BEN... I REALLY LIKE HIM! HE'S CULTURED, SOPHISTICATED, AND TALENTED...UNLIKE ANY-ONE I'VE EVER KNOWN BEFORE! JUST BEING NEAR HIM, FILLS ME WITH EXCITEMENT!


WELL, I RECKON I CAN'T COMPETE WITH A GUY WHO'S ALL THAT! GUESS IT'S TIME FOR ME TO STEP OUT OF THE PICTURE. GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR MISTER BENTLEY, NAN!
THANK YOU, BEN... AND GOOD NIGHT.

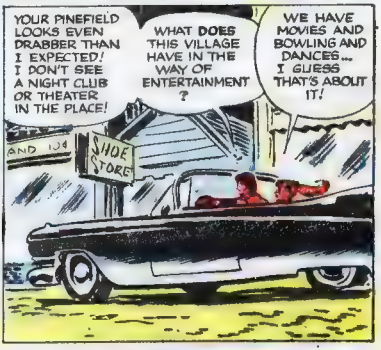
DURING THE FOLLOWING WEEK, I SPENT AS MUCH TIME WITH CRAIG BENTLEY AS I COULD...


I HEAR THERE'S A DANCE IN TOWN TONIGHT, NAN. I'D LIKE TO TAKE YOU! IT WILL GIVE ME A CHANCE TO SEE PINEFIELD!
UMMM, I'D LOVE TO GO WITH YOU! I'LL BE THE ENVY OF EVERY GIRL IN TOWN!

AND SO, THAT EVENING...



BUT WHEN WE REACHED TOWN IT STARTED TO HAPPEN! AT FIRST, I DIDN'T MIND CRAIG'S REMARKS


YOUR PINEFIELD LOOKS EVEN DRABBER THAN I EXPECTED! I DON'T SEE A NIGHT CLUB OR THEATER IN THE PLACE!
WHAT DOES THIS VILLAGE HAVE IN THE WAY OF ENTERTAINMENT?
WE HAVE MOVIES AND BOWLING AND DANCES... I GUESS THAT'S ABOUT IT!
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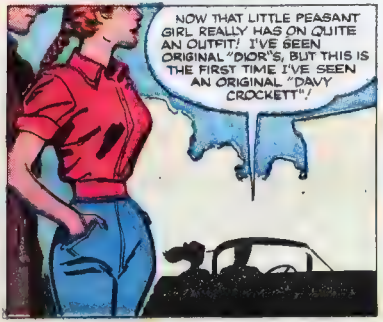
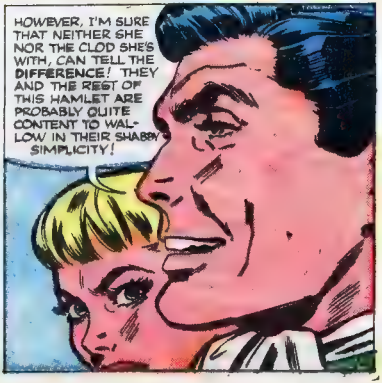
SHOE STORE

AS CRAIG CONTINUED HIS COMMENTS, THEY BECAME MORE AND MORE INSULTING, AND THOUGH I DIDN'T ANSWER HIM, I FOUND MYSELF STRONGLY RESENTING HIS CONTEMPT FOR OUR TOWN...

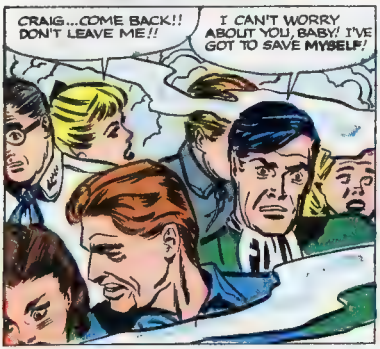

NOW THAT LITTLE PEASANT GIRL REALLY HAS ON QUITE AN OUTFIT! I'VE SEEN ORIGINAL "DIOR"S, BUT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN AN ORIGINAL "DAVY CROCKETT"!


HOWEVER, I'M SURE THAT NEITHER SHE NOR THE CLOD SHE'S WITH, CAN TELL THE DIFFERENCE! THEY AND THE REST OF THIS HAMLET ARE PROBABLY QUITE CONTENT TO WALLOW IN THEIR SHABBY SIMPLICITY!

BY THE TIME WE REACHED THE DANCE I REALIZED THAT CRAIG BENTLEY'S SOPHISTICATION AND CULTURE WAS ONLY A VENEER, BEHIND WHICH LAY A **POMPOUS** AND **ILL-MANNERED BOOR!**

FINALLY I HAD IT UP TO THE GILLS AND WAS JUST ABOUT TO TELL THE GREAT MISTER BENTLEY OFF, WHEN...

THE BLAZE SPREAD FAST, AND THERE WAS A MAD RUSH FOR THE EXITS...



AS I STRUGGLED IN THE MIDST OF THE STAMPEDE, I SUDDENLY FELT A PAIR OF STRONG ARMS ABOUT ME... PROTECTING ME FROM THE VIOLENCE OF LUNGING BODIES AND THRUSTING LIMBS...

EVERYBODY GOT OUT SAFELY...OR SO WE THOUGHT, UNTIL ....

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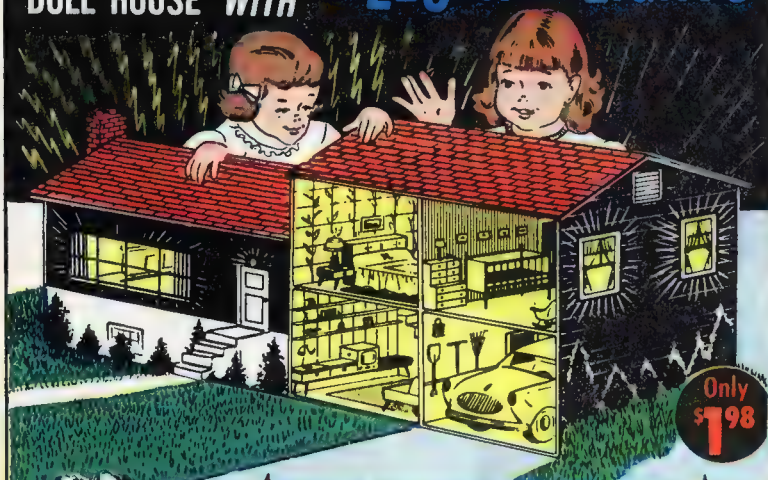

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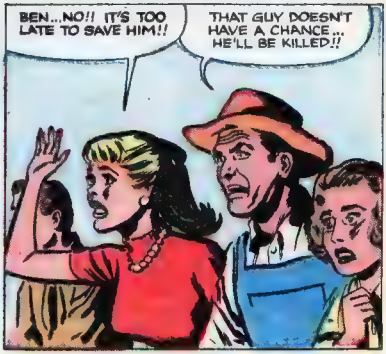
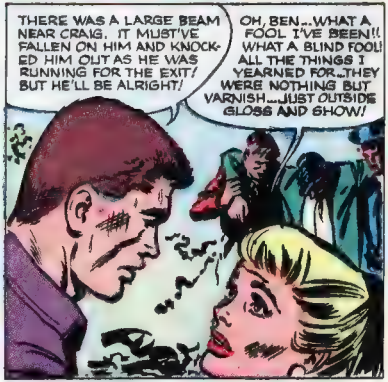
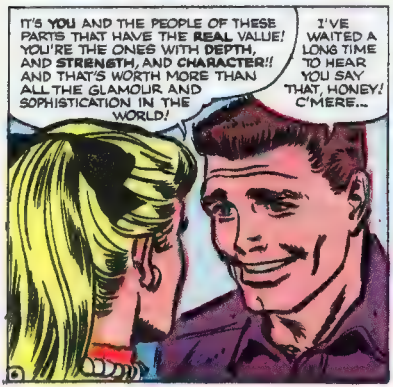
BEFORE ANYONE COULD STOP HIM, BEN RAN BACK INTO THE BURNING BUILDING...

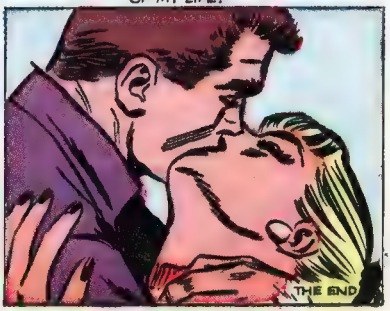


MY HEART POUNDED AS AGONIZING SECONDS PASSED...UNTIL FINALLY...


THERE WAS A LARGE BEAM NEAR CRAIG. IT MUST'VE FALLEN ON HIM AND KNOCKED HIM OUT AS HE WAS RUNNING FOR THE EXIT! BUT HE'LL BE ALRIGHT!
OH, BEN...WHAT A FOOL I'VE BEEN!! WHAT A BLIND FOOL! ALL THE THINGS I YEARNED FOR...THEY WERE NOTHING BUT VARNISH...JUST OUTSIDE GLOSS AND SHOW!


IT'S YOU AND THE PEOPLE OF THESE PARTS THAT HAVE THE REAL VALUE! YOU'RE THE ONES WITH DEPTH, AND STRENGTH, AND CHARACTER!! AND THAT'S WORTH MORE THAN ALL THE GLAMOUR AND SOPHISTICATION IN THE WORLD!
I'VE WAITED A LONG TIME TO HEAR YOU SAY THAT, HONEY! C'MERE...

AND AS BEN KISSED ME, I KNEW THAT I WOULD SOON BE MARRIED...NOT TO A WALKING EDUCATION IN GLIBNESS, BUT TO A MAN! A MAN WHO LOVED ME AND WHOM I NOW LOVED! A MAN WITH WHOM I WOULD NEVER AGAIN BE BORED, FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!



I LEARNED ABOUT Love THE HARD WAY!
IT HAPPENED ONCE AGAIN! ...ONCE AGAIN, I KNEW THE STABBING PANGS OF BETRAYED LOVE-- THE TERRIBLE ANGUISH OF MY ACHING HEART! FOR I HAD ONCE MORE FALLEN IN LOVE WITH THE WRONG MAN!
I THOUGHT HE WAS DIFFERENT! I LOVED AND TRUSTED HIM...AND BELIEVED HIS WORDS--HIS PROMISES! BUT THEY WERE (SOB) ALL LIES! HE NEVER CARED FOR ME-- AND HE NEVER WILL! HE JUST USED ME... AND NOW I'M ALONE! HORRIBLY, DESPERATELY ALONE!

As I wept my heart's sorrow, my thoughts raced back into time -- back to that wonderful, cool, blue night when Harry Wilkes held me in his arms and said...

I love you, Eve -- and I'll always love you! From now on, can it be just you and me, baby?

Oh, yes, my darling -- yes! I've waited so long for this!

The next few weeks were sheer heaven! I had found the man of my dreams, and he loved me as I loved him! Or so I thought, until that dreadful day when I waited for him in his outer office! The intercom was **ON**, and I could hear him speaking at the phone in his office...

But, Flo, honey -- I can't make it tonight! I'll pick you up tomorrow at seven and we'll eat at the "Golden Swan" -- then take in a show! Alright, sugar? Swell -- see you then!

Sorry to keep my gorgeous girl waiting -- but I just had to finish up some work!

Certainly, Harry... I understand!

The following evening, Harry was of course unable to see me... "urgent business", he said! I decided to go to the "Golden Swan" and when I arrived there...

You're a lucky man, Harry, to have your business come in such an attractive package!

Who's **she**, Harry?

Now look, Eve, there's no need to make a fuss! Flo is just an old friend who happened to come to town...

And **I'm** just the woman you **happened** to say you loved?! Well, from now on you can tell your sweet lies to some other girl! We're **thru**, Harry!

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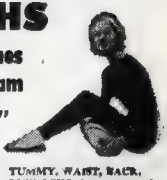

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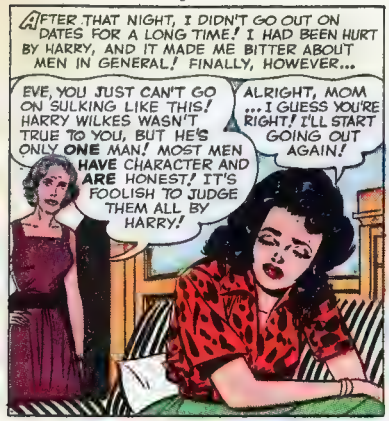
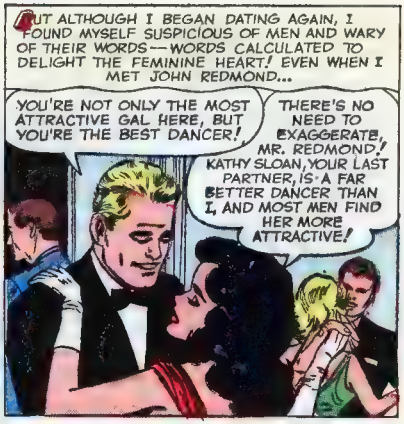
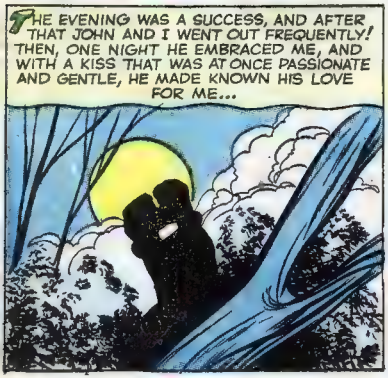
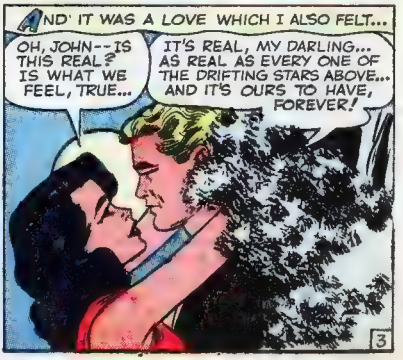

AFTER THAT NIGHT, I DIDN'T GO OUT ON DATES FOR A LONG TIME! I HAD BEEN HURT BY HARRY, AND IT MADE ME BITTER ABOUT MEN IN GENERAL! FINALLY, HOWEVER...
EVE, YOU JUST CAN'T GO ON SULKING LIKE THIS! HARRY WILKES WASN'T TRUE TO YOU, BUT HE'S ONLY ONE MAN! MOST MEN HAVE CHARACTER AND ARE HONEST! IT'S FOOLISH TO JUDGE THEM ALL BY HARRY!
ALRIGHT, MOM ...I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT! I'LL START GOING OUT AGAIN!


BUT ALTHOUGH I BEGAN DATING AGAIN, I FOUND MYSELF SUSPICIOUS OF MEN AND WARY OF THEIR WORDS—WORDS CALCULATED TO DELIGHT THE FEMININE HEART! EVEN WHEN I MET JOHN REDMOND...
YOU'RE NOT ONLY THE MOST ATTRACTIVE GAL HERE, BUT YOU'RE THE BEST DANCER!
THERE'S NO NEED TO EXAGGERATE, MR. REDMOND! KATHY SLOAN, YOUR LAST PARTNER, IS A FAR BETTER DANCER THAN I, AND MOST MEN FIND HER MORE ATTRACTIVE!

BUT I AM NOT MOST MEN ...AND IF YOU WILL LOWER YOUR DEFENSES ENOUGH TO CALL ME JOHN, YOU MIGHT BE PLEASED TO FIND THAT OUT!

JOHN'S REMARK NOT ONLY TOOK THE WIND OUT OF MY PROTECTIVE SAILS, BUT IT AROUSED MY INTEREST IN HIM! AND SO, A WEEK LATER WHEN HE ASKED ME FOR A DATE...
I'M GLAD YOU'RE FREE TONIGHT! I THINK YOU'LL LIKE THE SHOW WE'RE GOING TO SEE!
I'M SURE I WILL! I ADORE MYSTERIES!


THE EVENING WAS A SUCCESS, AND AFTER THAT JOHN AND I WENT OUT FREQUENTLY! THEN, ONE NIGHT HE EMBRACED ME, AND WITH A KISS THAT WAS AT ONCE PASSIONATE AND GENTLE, HE MADE KNOWN HIS LOVE FOR ME...


AND IT WAS A LOVE WHICH I ALSO FELT...
OH, JOHN--IS THIS REAL? IS WHAT WE FEEL, TRUE...
IT'S REAL, MY DARLING... AS REAL AS EVERY ONE OF THE DRIFTING STARS ABOVE... AND IT'S OURS TO HAVE, FOREVER!

AFTER THAT, JOHN AND I WENT STEADY! AND EVERYTHING MIGHT'VE GONE ALONG SMOOTHLY IF NOT FOR ONE THING -- THE MEMORY OF HARRY WILKES STILL REMAINED WITH ME AND CAUSED A CONSTANT SUSPICION...
UMMM, WHAT AN ATTRACTIVE-LOOKING GAL!
YES, SHE IS! AND I SUPPOSE YOUR THUMPING MALE HEART WOULD RATHER BE CLOSE TO HER THAN TO ME!
DON'T BE A LITTLE FOOL, EVE! SHE WAS ATTRACTIVE BUT YOU'RE THE WOMAN I WILL ALWAYS LOVE!
OH, JOHN, I GET SO JEALOUS AND SUSPICIOUS ...BUT I'LL TRY TO CHANGE, DARLING!
AND I MIGHT HAVE CHANGED IF A FRIEND OF MINE HADN'T COME TO ME A WEEK LATER AND, IN THE COURSE OF CONVERSATION, SAID--
SAM WAS IN JOHN'S OFFICE THE OTHER DAY, SEEING HIM ON SOME BUSINESS... AND HE TELLS ME THAT JOHN WORKS WITH A WOMAN WHO LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING OUT OF A FASHION MAGAZINE! HE ALSO SAID THIS GORGEOUS CREATURE AND JOHN SEEM TO BE ON VERY FRIENDLY TERMS!
I-I'M QUITE SURE THERE'S NOTHING FOR ME TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT! JOHN AND I ARE IN LOVE... AND I'M CERTAIN ANY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HIM AND THIS WOMAN IS STRICTLY BUSINESS!
OF COURSE, EVE! I DIDN'T MEAN TO IMPLY OTHERWISE! I JUST THOUGHT I'D MENTION IT TO YOU...
BUT IN SPITE OF MY BRAVE FRONT, I WAS PLENTY WORRIED! JOHN HAD NEVER SPOKEN MUCH ABOUT HIS JOB, AND NOW MY SUSPICIOUS MIND BEGAN WORKING OVERTIME! AND SO, ON OUR NEXT DATE...
DARLING, YOU SELDOM EVER MENTION YOUR JOB! WHAT KIND OF WORK DO YOU DO? AND THE PEOPLE YOU WORK WITH--ARE THEY NICE?
I WORK IN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF A PLASTICS COMPANY, AND THE OTHER EMPLOYEES ARE ALL TYPICAL PERSONNEL!
WE'RE REALLY A PRETTY STODGY GROUP ...AND NOTHING MUCH HAPPENS THERE THAT WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO YOU!
I SEE...
OH, JOHN-- WHY WON'T YOU TELL ME ABOUT THAT BEAUTIFUL WOMAN YOU WORK WITH?! WHAT ARE YOU HIDING? WHAT IS THERE BETWEEN YOU TWO??!!
DURING THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS, MY SUSPICIONS AND FEARS MOUNTED... AND THEN ONE AFTERNOON, IT HAPPENED! I SAW THEM!
OH, NO--IT CAN'T BE!!
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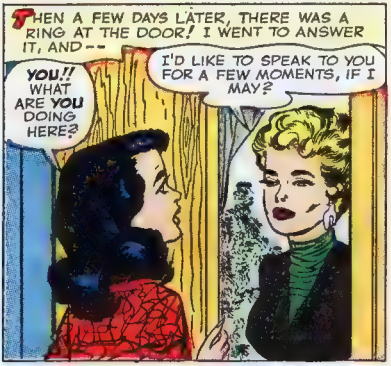
OVER AND OVER HE SAID HE LOVED ME, BUT THERE HE IS--BUYING AN ENGAGEMENT RING FOR ANOTHER WOMAN!!
SHE MUST BE THE ONE FROM HIS OFFICE--AND THE ONE HE (SOB) REALLY LOVES!

WITH TEARS STREAMING DOWN MY CHEEKS, I RAN AWAY FROM THERE! I RAN BACK TO MY HOME--AND TO MY ROOM...
I THOUGHT THIS TIME IT WOULD BE DIFFERENT--BUT IT'S NOT! IT'S JUST LIKE IT WAS WITH HARRY!! OH, WHY DID IT HAVE TO TURN OUT THIS WAY--WHY?? HOW MANY TIMES CAN I BE EXPECTED TO SUFFER (SOB) A BROKEN HEART--??!!

BY THE NEXT DAY THERE WERE NO MORE TEARS, BUT THERE WAS NO MORE LIFE EITHER! THE LIGHT IN MY HEART HAD GONE OUT AND THERE WAS NOTHING BUT A COLD AND BITTER EMPTINESS...
JOHN IS ON THE PHONE, DEAR! WON'T YOU PLEASE SPEAK TO HIM?
NO!... AND TELL HIM NOT TO CALL ME ANY MORE! I NEVER WANT TO SEE OR HEAR FROM HIM AGAIN...


THEN A FEW DAYS LATER, THERE WAS A RING AT THE DOOR! I WENT TO ANSWER IT, AND--
YOU!! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
I'D LIKE TO SPEAK TO YOU FOR A FEW MOMENTS, IF I MAY?

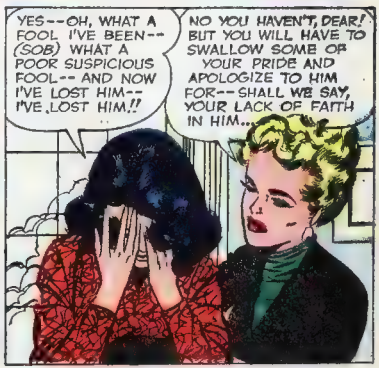
SOMEHOW, MY MANNERS OVERRODE MY ANGER AT THIS BRAZENNESS, AND I SHOWED MY VISITOR IN...
I'M HERE BECAUSE JOHN TELLS ME THAT YOU WON'T SEE HIM OR SPEAK TO HIM, AND I CAME TO FIND OUT WHY!
HOW DARE YOU ASK ME THAT?!! YOU OF ALL PEOPLE!! DIDN'T YOU KNOW THAT JOHN AND I WERE TO BE MARRIED?!

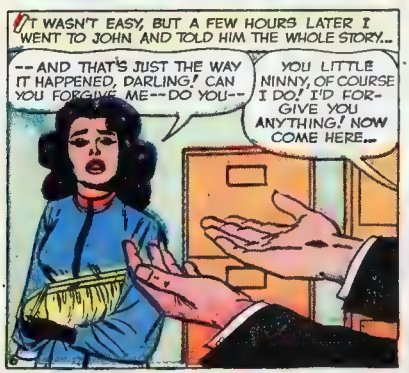
OF COURSE I DID! WHY, I EVEN WENT WITH JOHN TO PICK OUT AN ENGAGEMENT RING FOR YOU!
FOR ME!!!

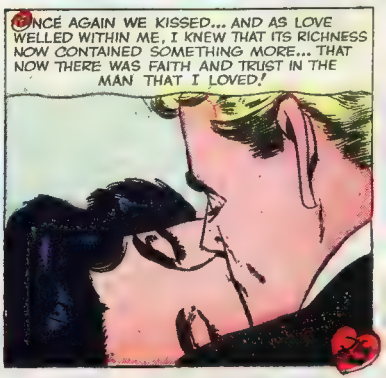
WHY YES, I'M JOHN'S SISTER... AND HE ASKED ME TO HELP HIM SELECT A RING FOR YOU!
SISTER--??!

OH, I SUPPOSE HE HASN'T TOLD YOU ABOUT US YET! YOU SEE, OUR FAMILY OWNS THE PLASTICS COMPANY WHERE JOHN WORKS... AND I GUESS HE DIDN'T TELL YOU THAT HE WORKS WITH HIS RELATIVES BECAUSE YOU MIGHT FEEL HE WASN'T ABLE TO GET A JOB ON HIS OWN!

I--I NEVER KNEW--AND WHEN I HEARD HE'S FRIENDLY WITH A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN AT HIS OFFICE--AND THEN I SAW HIM WITH YOU IN THAT JEWELRY STORE, I NATURALLY THOUGHT--
YOU THOUGHT HE WAS BUYING THE RING FOR ME??


YES--OH, WHAT A FOOL I'VE BEEN--(SOB) WHAT A POOR SUSPICIOUS FOOL--AND NOW I'VE LOST HIM--I'VE LOST HIM!!
NO YOU HAVEN'T, DEAR! BUT YOU WILL HAVE TO SWALLOW SOME OF YOUR PRIDE AND APOLOGIZE TO HIM FOR--SHALL WE SAY, YOUR LACK OF FAITH IN HIM...


IT WASN'T EASY, BUT A FEW HOURS LATER I WENT TO JOHN AND TOLD HIM THE WHOLE STORY...
--AND THAT'S JUST THE WAY IT HAPPENED, DARLING! CAN YOU FORGIVE ME--DO YOU--
YOU LITTLE NINNY, OF COURSE I DO! I'D FORGIVE YOU ANYTHING! NOW COME HERE...


ONCE AGAIN WE KISSED... AND AS LOVE WELLED WITHIN ME, I KNEW THAT ITS RICHNESS NOW CONTAINED SOMETHING MORE... THAT NOW THERE WAS FAITH AND TRUST IN THE MAN THAT I LOVED!

LOVE WITH A WILL

JULIE'S pretty lips curved into a pleading little smile as she spoke into the telephone's mouthpiece.

"But couldn't we go to your cousin's place some other night?" she cooed. "I was planning so much on seeing the new show at the Drive-In."

George's soft, pleasant voice caressed her ear.

"Of course, Honey. We could get over to Joe's place sometime next week. I'll pick you up at eight."

She whispered goodbye and gently replaced the phone in its cradle. There was a bright look to her eye when she met Cora's gaze from the desk opposite.

"Did he agree?" asked Cora.

"Of course he did," Julie replied. "There isn't anything George wouldn't do for me."

"Well," Cora reflected archly, "I wouldn't push my good luck too far. I don't think any man can stay perfect forever."

"You don't know George," Julie said. "He's just naturally thoughtful and considerate, that's all."

"Well, maybe," Cora replied. "But all I can say is that I wish I had your luck. I've waited three months to wear my new dance slippers and all Sam wants to do is bowl . . so bowling we go."

Julie gave an amused laugh, then started typing, but her thoughts weren't completely on the shorthand before her.

Cora was right. She was lucky to have someone like George, but for reasons other than what Cora thought. There was a basic need for her having things her way. It gave a sense of security. To get George to accept her plans had become a subtle means of testing his love. So long as he went along with them, his love towards her seemed secure and safe.

By now she had come to take his easy acceptance for granted . . . like for this evening, and many times that it had happened before. But on one point, he remained evasive. As yet he hadn't proposed. Perhaps it was shyness, for she was sure of his love, yet as much as she hoped and waited, George still hadn't asked her to marry him. His indecision in such an important matter was annoying and she wished in this instance he would be firm and assertive.

Julie sighed. Maybe he would ask her tonight, she thought.

The night passed, however, without his asking, and then about two weeks later something happened which made Julie feel that George was ready at last to pop the question. He had invited her to a private party given by some friends and business associates. An evening with strangers sounded terribly dull, but Julie detected a special note in his voice. "Before the party's over," she confided to Cora, "I know he's going to ask me to marry him."

The night came, and walking beside George up the stairs to the apartment, Julie was more certain than ever of her hunch coming true. Around ten couples were already there, and as they entered, Julie was surprised at the welcome George received. He gave her a reassuring smile, then introduced her to their host and hostess and to the others. One of them, a small, lovely blond whispered to Julie, "All of us girls at the office sure envy you."

It left Julie wondering, but not for long. George was soon surrounded by his friends, and she felt herself to be deserted. Whenever polite conversation turned her away, it was always in praise of George. And somehow George himself seemed to have changed here among his friends and office associates. He became their leader. He chose the records, directed the line of conversation . . . and his opinion was always respected. It was a side Julie had never seen before, and watching George enjoy himself, made Julie angry and jealous.

At last she could stand it no longer! George was so different, so sure among his friends. And it was fairly obvious that the small blond liked him, and used every opportunity to get his attention. She'd smile up at him as if he were a pillar of strength, listening and agreeing with every word. And George looked back down into her big blue eyes, completely taken in.

Julie walked over and touched his sleeve. "Forgive me for intruding," she said, "but could I see you a moment, George . . . alone?"

"Sure, honey," George answered, walking her into the next room.

She came directly to the point.

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"I want you to take me home," she said. She went to the clothes rack in the corner and found her wrap. "Ready?" she asked over her shoulder.

"No. I'm not leaving, Julie." The tone of his voice matched the firmness of his words. "I'd like it if you'd stay on, but I won't insist, of course."

The little blond was the reason he didn't want to leave, Julie thought, but with a little persuasion, he'd change his mind.

"I'm sorry," she said, smiling sweetly. "I didn't mean to be so abrupt and spoil your fun, but I have such a dreadful *headache* . . ."

She discreetly emphasized the word, then waited for his usual sympathetic response.

"Is it really a headache, or just that you're bored with my friends?" George asked.

"I don't understand," Julie said in astonishment.

"I've watched you all evening, Julie, and you've made no attempt to enjoy yourself. I don't insist that you like my friends, but for my sake you could have tried. Until now, I've always done as you asked, hoping to please you, but I see it's not enough. No matter how much I do, you still demand more. Right now I feel my friends deserve more of my consideration than you."

"I see," Julie retorted in anger. "When we're alone together, you can afford to be the Sweet and Generous George! But tonight I can just twiddle my thumbs while you show off your manly ego in front of your friends."

"Julie, that isn't fair!" he answered, and she saw the hurt in his eyes.

She was sorry for her words, but he had hurt her too, and her anger kept her from weakening.

"I'm afraid that's how it looks to me," she added.

"I'm sorry you see it that way," George replied, softly. "It makes it pretty pointless to say anything more." He turned and opened the door. "If you're ready, I'll get you a taxi."

"You needn't bother," Julie replied, crisply. "I can do it

alone."

Outside, there was a soft mistiness to the air. She waited a moment at the bottom of the stairs, hoping George would follow . . . but he didn't

She was upset, confused, but somehow she realized that what George had told her was true. She had become so accustomed in telling him what to do, she had forgotten to be considerate in return. George had proven his love, but she had failed. And now she had lost him.

The little blond never would have behaved so unwisely, she thought. So now, George was with *her,* laughing and having a good time.

Knowing how much she loved George and the depth of her loss, made her unable to suppress her jealousy. She would wait and see if George would take the other girl home. She felt she had to know.

She waited in the shadows a long time before any of the couples left. She was chilled and miserable, and then she heard the soft laugh and saw the little blond with her escort. Julie held her breath as they passed . . . it *wasn't* George.

How foolish she had been! How unjust to have doubted George's love when he had proven it over and over! She was positive he loved her just as she loved him. She had learned her lesson. Now she felt ashamed of her jealousy . . . ashamed of the way she had left George to the embarrassment of making explanations to his friends.

Then she heard his step. Her head high, her eyes shining with tears, she stepped forward to meet him.

There was a long moment of silence, then she was in his arms, sobbing for forgiveness.

"There's nothing to forgive," he whispered. "For the first time, I think we really understand each other, don't we, darling?"

She nodded back, too choked with tears to speak.

Slowly their lips met, and her new happiness was like nothing she had known before.

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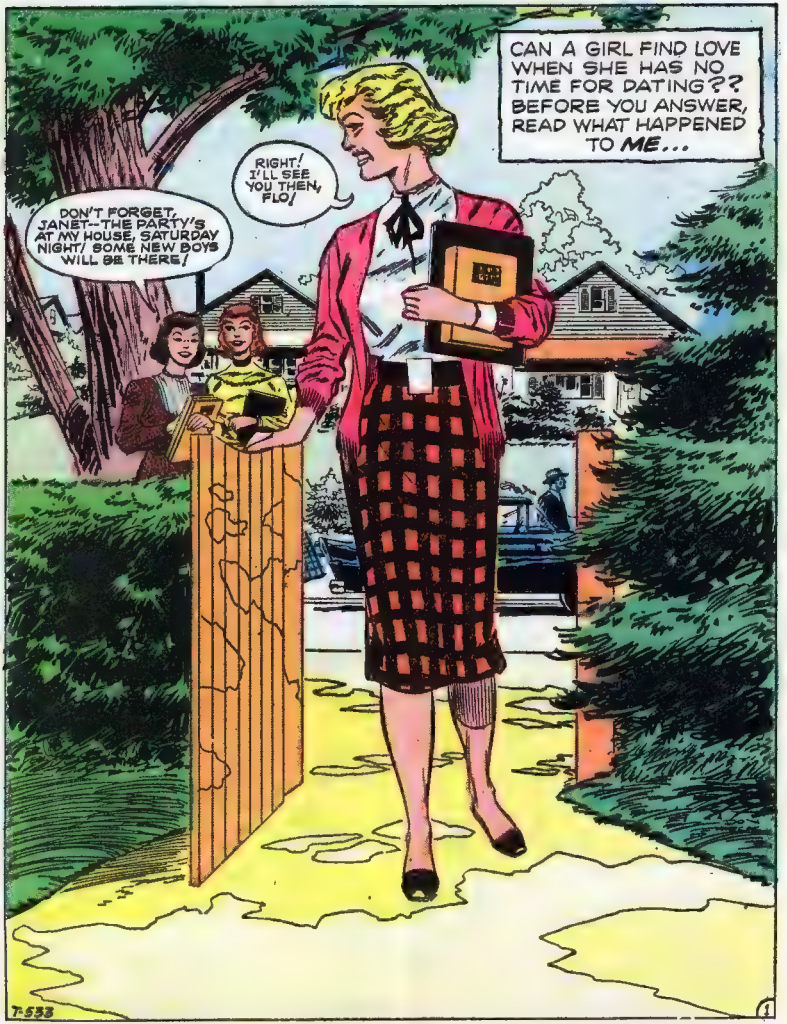
CAN A GIRL FIND LOVE WHEN SHE HAS NO TIME FOR DATING?? BEFORE YOU ANSWER, READ WHAT HAPPENED TO ME...
RIGHT! I'LL SEE YOU THEN, FLO!
DON'T FORGET, JANET--THE PARTY'S AT MY HOUSE, SATURDAY NIGHT! SOME NEW BOYS WILL BE THERE!
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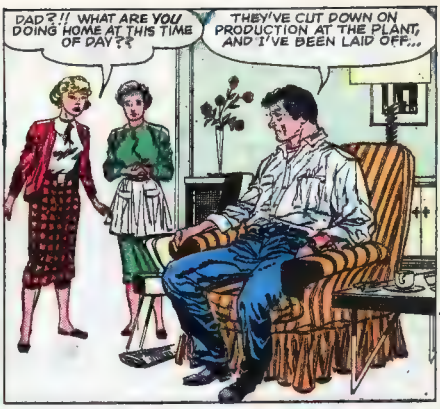
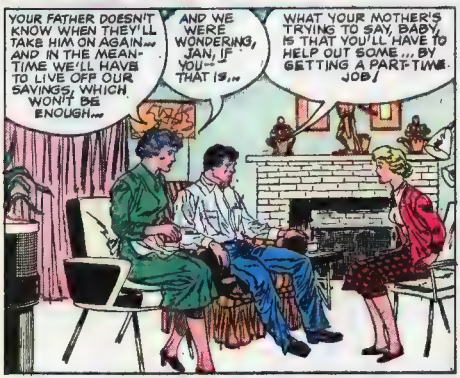
HI, MOM--YOUR LITTLE EGG-HEAD IS HOME FROM COLLEGE! ANY CALLS FOR THE BEAUTIFUL ONE TODAY?
NO, DEAR... BUT WE'VE SOME BAD NEWS,


DAD?!! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HOME AT THIS TIME OF DAY??
THEY'VE CUT DOWN ON PRODUCTION AT THE PLANT, AND I'VE BEEN LAID OFF...

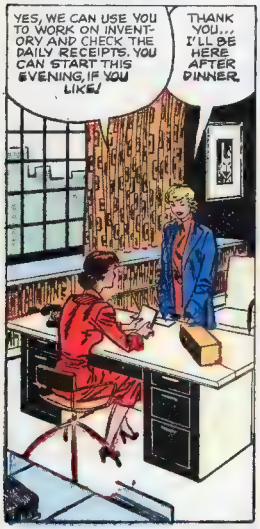

YOUR FATHER DOESN'T KNOW WHEN THEY'LL TAKE HIM ON AGAIN... AND IN THE MEAN-TIME WE'LL HAVE TO LIVE OFF OUR SAVINGS, WHICH WON'T BE ENOUGH...
AND WE WERE WONDERING, JAN, IF YOU-- THAT IS,..
WHAT YOUR MOTHER'S TRYING TO SAY, BABY, IS THAT YOU'LL HAVE TO HELP OUT SOME... BY GETTING A PART-TIME JOB!

BUT I GO TO SCHOOL DURING THE DAY, IF I WORK, I'LL HAVE TO GET A JOB AT NIGHT! AND THEN I WON'T BE ABLE TO GO OUT ON DATES -- OR SEE MY FRIENDS!
WE REALIZE THAT, BABY... AND WE WOULD NOT ASK THIS OF YOU IF IT WEREN'T NECESSARY!

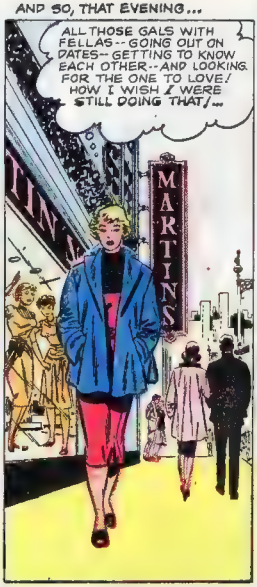
ALL RIGHT, DAD... YOU AND MOM HAVE TAKEN CARE OF ME ALL MY LIFE. I GUESS IT'S NOT TOO MUCH TO EXPECT ME TO HELP OUT AT A TIME LIKE THIS! I'LL START LOOKING FOR A JOB TOMORROW!

BUT THOUGH I KNEW IT WAS RIGHT FOR ME TO HELP THE FAMILY, FROM THE DEPTHS OF MY HEART I FELT I WAS GIVING UP MY CHANCE FOR HAPPINESS...
IF I DON'T GO OUT ON DATES, HOW WILL I EVER GET TO MEET FELLOWS? HOW WILL I EVER MEET THE ONE WITH WHOM I'LL FALL IN LOVE AND MARRY?? OH, IT'S ALL SO HOPELESS NOW... SO UTTERLY HOPELESS...

THE NEXT DAY I LEFT SCHOOL EARLY AND STARTED JOB HUNTING ... THERE WEREN'T MANY NIGHT JOBS AROUND, BUT FINALLY AT A LARGE CLOTHING STORE...


YES, WE CAN USE YOU TO WORK ON INVENTORY AND CHECK THE DAILY RECEIPTS. YOU CAN START THIS EVENING, IF YOU LIKE!
THANK YOU... I'LL BE HERE AFTER DINNER.

AND SO, THAT EVENING...


ALL THOSE GALS WITH FELLAS -- GOING OUT ON DATES -- GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER -- AND LOOKING FOR THE ONE TO LOVE! HOW I WISH I WERE STILL DOING THAT/...
MARTINS

MY FIRST CHORE WAS TO CHECK A RECENT SHIPMENT OF MEN'S SHOES... TO MAKE SURE THE STORE HAD RECEIVED WHAT THEY ORDERED...

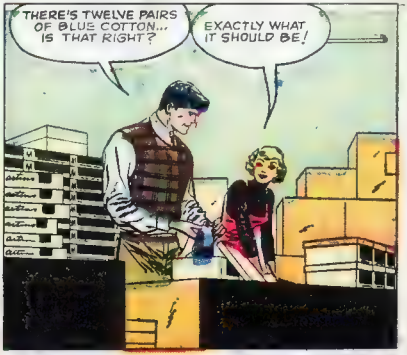
SUDDENLY...

AND ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE SHOE BOXES STOOD ONE OF THE HANDSOMEST FELLAS I'D EVER SEEN...

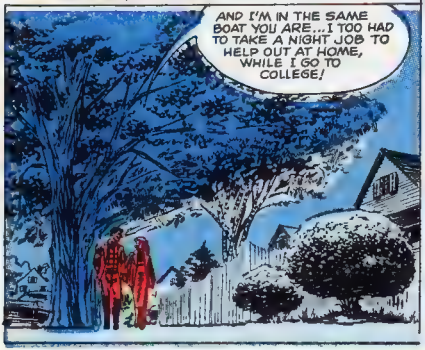
WHAT HAPPENED — ?
I WAS CHECKING THE INVENTORY OF SWEATERS, WHEN I TRIPPED AND FELL AGAINST THESE SHOES...
I'M TERRIBLY SORRY! PLEASE LET ME PILE THEM AGAIN, FOR YOU!

MY NAME IS FRANK LANGLEY, AND YOU MUST BE NEW IN THE STORE OR I SURE WOULD'VE NOTICED YOU BEFORE!
I'M JANET WILSON ...AND YOU'RE ABOUT THE NICEST ACCIDENT I'VE HAD IN A LONG TIME!

THE REST OF THE EVENING, FRANK AND I WORKED TOGETHER... AND I FOUND TIME PASSING ALMOST TOO QUICKLY...

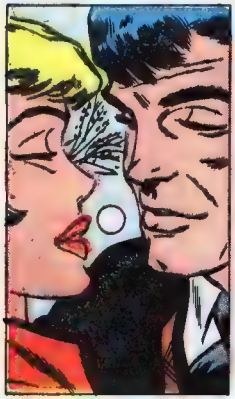


THAT NIGHT, FRANK SAW ME HOME ...



IN THE DAYS THAT FOLLOWED, I CAME TO VIEW MY EVENINGS WITH HAPPY ANTICIPATION...

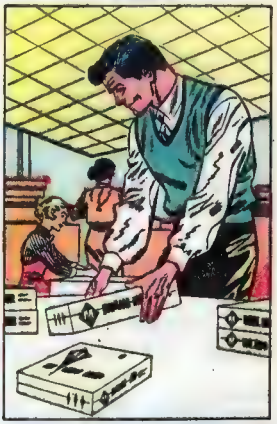
AS TIME PASSED I GREW VERY FOND OF FRANK... AND I CAN STILL REMEMBER THE THRILL I GOT FROM HIS FIRST GOOD-NIGHT KISS...



AFTER THAT, WE SAW EACH OTHER MORE FREQUENTLY! OFTEN WE'D MEET FOR DINNER BEFORE GOING TO WORK...

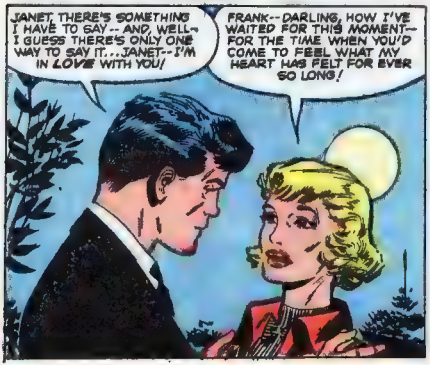
NEXT TERM I START MY ENGINEERING COURSE! IT'LL BE A TOUGH GRIND, BUT IF I GO THRU IT I THINK I'LL HAVE A PRETTY GOLD FUTURE!
YOU SURE WILL! THE DEMAND FOR ENGINEERS IS GROWING ALL THE TIME... AND I'M CERTAIN YOU'LL BE A GOOD ONE!

AND SO, IN THE FOLLOWING WEEKS, I ENJOYED EVERY HOUR I SPENT IN THE STORE...



BUT THEY WERE NOTHING COMPARED TO THE HAPPINESS I FELT EACH NIGHT WHEN FRANK WALKED ME HOME...

AND THEN ONE NIGHT-- ONE WONDERFUL NIGHT, IT HAPPENED...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FRANK-- DARLING, HOW I'VE WAITED FOR THIS MOMENT-- FOR THE TIME WHEN YOU'D COME TO FEEL WHAT MY HEART HAS FELT FOR EVER SO LONG!

AND IN FRANK'S KISS, I HAD THE FINAL PROOF - THAT MY FEARS HAD BEEN UNFOUNDED...FOR HIS LIPS TOLD ME MORE SURELY THAN ANY WORDS, THAT WHEREVER YOU ARE YOU CAN ALWAYS MEET THE RIGHT MAN...WHEREVER YOU ARE, THE MAGIC OF *LOVE* WILL FIND A WAY!

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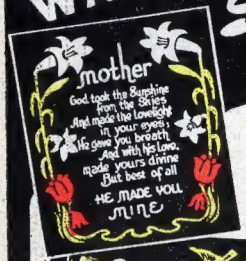

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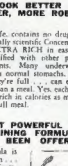
Vitatone is entirely safe, contains no drugs, no stimulants, but is a medically scientific Concentrated Food Formula that's EXTRA RICH in easier to assimilate calories, fortified with other proven weight building elements. Many underweight people have smaller than normal stomachs. Halfway through a meal, they're full . . . can eat no more. *Vitatone* is more than a meal. Yes, each daily supply of *Vitatone* is as rich in calories as many a skinny person's regular full meal.

ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL YET SAFE WEIGHT GAINING FORMULAS THAT HAS EVER BEEN OFFERED!

Vitatone's 10-in-1 Formula is like a Doctor's Prescription . . . Special care was taken to formulate it so that it was wonderfully tasting. It was prepared so as to be approved and recommended for use by men, women, and even young children.



THESE ARE THE PLACES ON YOUR BODY WHERE YOU TEND TO BE UNDERWEIGHT

Cheeks
Arms
Thighs
Legs
Hips
Calves

BE APPEALING—HAVE SEX-APPEAL-CONFIDENCE

If you are skinny and embarrassed when you undress because of scrawny body, thighs, arms and legs . . . Now you may be able to quickly put on more attractive pounds and inches so fast it will amaze you . . . *Vitatone* is developed by Men of Medical Science . . . a delicious weight adding formula, jam-packed with wonder calories to help your body gain good-looking flesh automatically, wherever you need it . . . on face, neck, arms, legs and ankles . . . Almost like magic, skinny "no sex appeal sticks" figures fill out all over the body into a beautiful "new look" that wins popularity! Concentrated *Vitatone* stimulates Vitamin Deficient appetites . . . Helps Pep, Vigor and Vitality.

IMPORTANT: Forget everything you have ever heard about weight gaining products before today! Don't confuse *Vitatone* with any other formula you have ever seen, heard of, or tried. *Vitatone* is a medically researched product. A weight gaining wonder formula unlike anything ever released *without a Doctor's Prescription!* And here is the overwhelming proof! When you use *Vitatone* concentrated 10-in-1 Formula to add weight . . . you will be among the fortunate men and women who experienced incredible weight gains . . . after every other weight gaining method failed them.

No other product can claim all these amazing weight gaining and health giving ingredients.

HOW VITATONE WORKS TO GIVE YOU NEW ATTRACTIVE POUNDS AND INCHES:

Here is the actual formula* . . . The amazingly safe, tested, way to gain weight. The method you may have heard about . . . now ready for sale *without a Doctor's Prescription.*

Concentrated 10-in-1
Weight Gaining Formula Contains:

1. Amazing, DPA (Dicalcium Phosphate Anhydrous)—When you take concentrated *Vitatone*, this tested ingredient will build body tissue, strong bones and supply your body with two needed minerals of Human Nutrition.

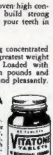
2. Enriched B-12 . . . Called the sensational growth vitamin, this is the world famous "red vitamin" doctors prescribe to build healthy robust appetites . . . has a remarkable ability . . . proven in clinical tests on children to cause weight and growth gains.

3. Special Iron (From Ferrous Sulfate) . . . Helps correct iron deficiency anemia, which makes you feel tired, listless, and run down. Helps rich, red blood for added pep, and energy too

4. Stimulating B-1 . . . Two average doses of Concentrated *Vitatone* contain four times the minimum daily requirement of Vitamin B-1 . . . An appetite building vitamin that increases your desire for food . . . helps you relish your meals, and look forward to dinnertime with happy anticipation.

5. (Calciferol) Vitamin D . . . A proven high concentrate formula which helps you build strong bones . . . A proven aid in keeping your teeth in good condition as well.

Five Other Ingredients . . . making concentrated 10-in-1 *Vitatone* Formula one of the greatest weight building products ever developed. Loaded with super-calories that help you put on pounds and inches of good-looking flesh, easily and pleasantly.



RELEASED WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION

Used successfully by thousands at Doctors. You can gain new, attractive pounds so quickly, so easily, so safely, that your friends will be amazed. Yes, you can do this without cramming with sugary sweets, fatty oils, drugs or fattening overstuffing.

Vitatone concentrates in *Vitatone* were tested by Doctors on undernourished women and children of all age groups and found effective

HELPS YOU ENJOY NEW ENERGY AND A ZEST FOR LIFE WHILE YOU ADD WEIGHT

It is very rare that a Weight Gaining Formula offers an underweight person the opportunity to maximize appetite, nourishment, sleep and sound sleep and have a good sense of well being when they are in the process of gaining the needed pounds and inches they so urgently desire. You will, we feel, thank us a thousand times for telling you about *Vitatone*, the most amazing Weight Gaining Formula Ever Developed.

GUARANTEE

Accept no substitute, only Vitatone Concentrated Stimulant Plus Formula contains 10 special ingredients . . . including DPA approved for weight gain without a Doctor's Prescription.*

Only VITATONE concentrated Formula is backed by the Most Amazing Weight Gain Guarantee in History of Weight Added Products.

If you are not completely satisfied that VITATONE is helping you gain previous pounds and inches quickly and easily, return the empty package from the *VITATONE* Bottle and your full purchase price will be refunded. *BUT YOU KEEP YOUR VITATONE AS A GIFT! YOU ARE NOT BUYING ANY TRYING AND IT DOESN'T COST YOU ONE PENNY!* This Guarantee is in Effect for a Full 21 days, after you receive your VITATONE FORMULA!

VITATONE HEALTH PRODUCTS
*Dicalcium Phosphate Anhydrous

THE SECRET OF THIS SAFE, DOCTORS APPROVED WEIGHT GAINING FORMULA!

The ingredients in *Vitatone* have been more thoroughly tested over a longer period of time, by more Doctors in more clinics and hospitals than many other products sold anywhere *without a Doctor's Prescription.* Doctors have proven time and time again that the wonderful ingredients in *Vitatone* are completely safe and produce no unpleasant side effects.

You may take *Vitatone* with complete confidence, content in the knowledge that the ingredients have been released for sale without prescription. In it my wonder that *Vitatone* not only helps you gain an attractive, more shapely figure, by fortifying weight maintaining meals with its concentrated ingredients . . . but also helps you put good looking flesh on face, neck, arms, hips, thighs, legs and ankles. Why be skinny . . . why let your life slip by without trying . . . No matter what you've tried, *Vitatone* is the one product that can help you! It's a shortcut to easy, safe, and pleasant weight gains. Unconditionally Money Back Guaranteed if it doesn't work for you! Yes, this is our unconditional guarantee . . . *Vitatone* must gain weight for you . . . or it won't cost you a penny!

PROOF POSITIVE

If you want to see good-looking pounds and inches of attractive weight added to your face, Arms, Hips, Thighs, Neck . . . to every inch of your body where you are thin, then read the thrilling Medical Facts on this amazing concentrated AP-PROVED WEIGHT GAINING FOMULA try "Wonder-working" Vitatone Now available Without a Doctor's Prescription Entirely at our expense!

Here is the astonishing answer . . . Underweight people, while actually taking Vitatone, report easy weight gains of 12 to 26 pounds!

"*. . . Gained 26 pounds in 7 weeks . . . to me, Vitatone's the best product I've ever known!*"
—Mrs. A. F., Brooklyn, N.Y.

"*I'm a nurse and I was always tired and worn out after my Night Shift. Now I eat better and can do my work better since taking Vitatone.*"
—Miss J. V., Registered Nurse, N.Y.C.

"*My you was skinny, underweight and unhappy—he's now 15 pounds heavier and looks wonderful —Thanks to Vitatone!*" *—Mrs. M. W., Texas*

"*Gained 5 pounds the first week . . . Since then went from 105 to 122 pounds!*"
—Miss S. L., California

The only real test of a Weight Gaining product is this—How many pounds and inches did people gain in actual use . . . and Vitatone holds the answer for you!

DOCTORS WRITE ON LETTERHEAD FOR CLINICAL SAMPLE

WHAT VITATONE THE "MIRACLE" WEIGHT GAINER MEANS TO YOU

VITATONE may mean New Hope if you are tired of being Skinny . . . of no appetite . . . and merely picking at your food! If you want to get rid of that "tired out" feeling . . . build resistance, sleep better and have more pep and energy . . . show off a more robust, stronger figure or physique . . . then prove AT OUR RISK how much the Concentrated VITATONE Tonic and Appetite Stimulant Plan may help you!

UNDERWEIGHT IS NOT HEALTHY . . . HELP YOURSELF TODAY . . . DON'T STAY SKINNY!

Your doctor may have been warning you that your underweight condition can lead to fatigue, loss of sleep and low resistance. Your doctor may also tell you that underweight can make you embarrassed, sensitive and ashamed . . . That you may be feeling "gawky" and ill at ease, because you are so thin.

If you are skinny because of poor appetite or poor eating habits . . . if you feel tired out all the time . . . look pale, undefeed, almost sickly, if your resistance is low and you sleep restlessly at night, then you should make up your mind to use *GENUINE CONCENTRATED VITATONE.*

If when summer comes, you're ashamed to wear a bathing suit, try this New Weight Gaining Discovery, *Concentrated Vitatone* today. You may say, "I never thought I'd be so happy on the beach. I never thought I could gain weight so easily. The *Vitatone* Tonic and Appetite stimulant Plan is just wonderful."

Take advantage of Vitatone's *Special Introductory* Free Trial Offer! *Do it today!*

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☐ I want to save $2.94. Please send me Triple Size (3 bottles) 63-Day VITATONE WEIGHT GAINING PLAN. I enclose $5.00 cash, check or M.O. and thereby receive 1 GENEROUS 21-DAY PLAN ABSOLUTELY FREE (regular price $8.94). Same absolute money back guarantee.
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